



JPL / McMaster-Carr

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JPL was founded in 1936 and in 1944 started building rockets for a military contract Private (bottom) and Corporal (top) rockets



1958 Explorer 1 – first U.S. satellite





1958 NASA created



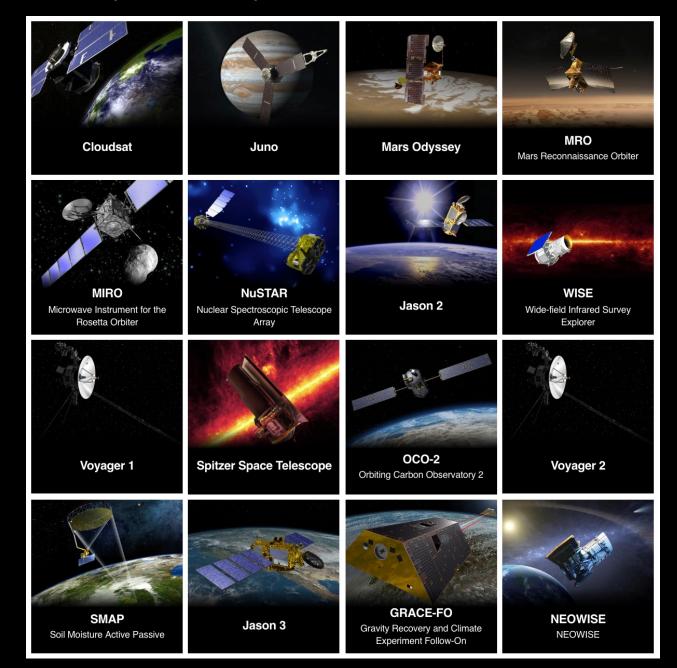
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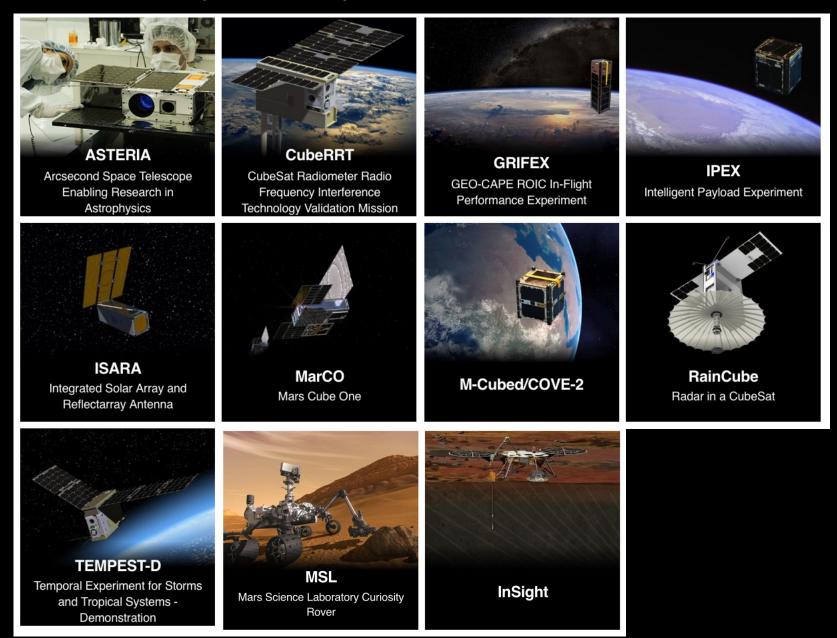


Our charter is robotic space and Earth **science** missions

26 operational spacecraft, 1 rover, & 1 lander



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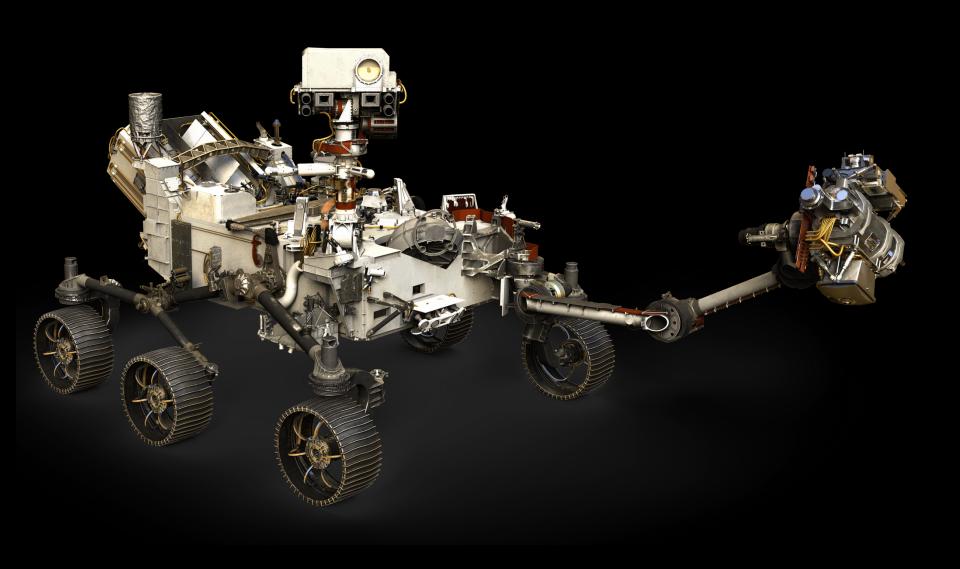


Mechanisms and Mobility

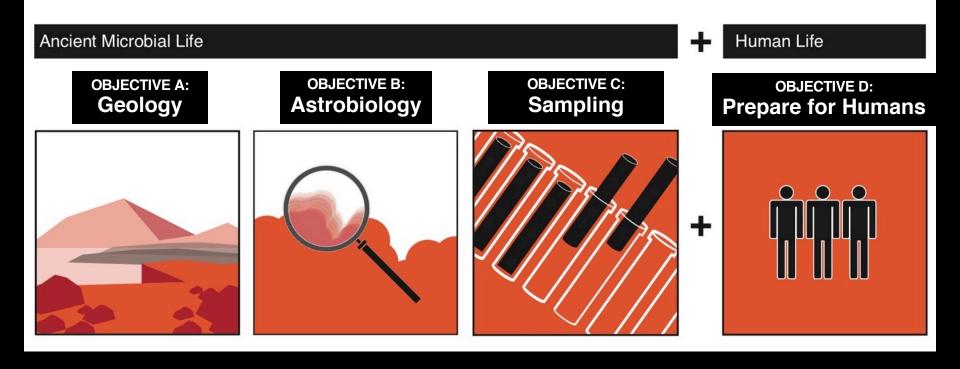
Charter: Design, development, and execution of world-class spacecraft mechanisms from "cradle to grave". Implementing planetary mobility systems and creating enabling technology.

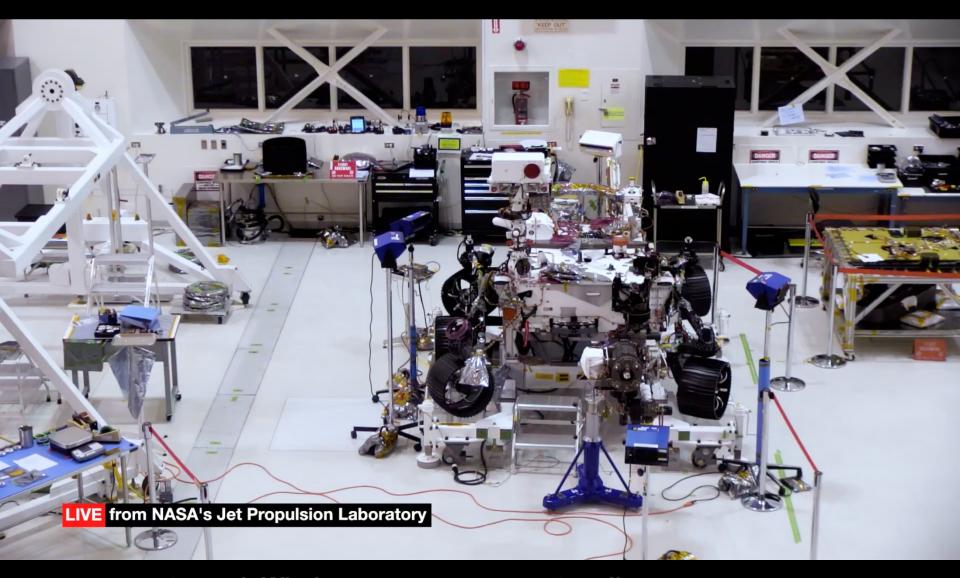
The Mars 2020 Rover:

Seeking Signs of Past Life on Mars



Understanding the Possibilities for Life on Mars



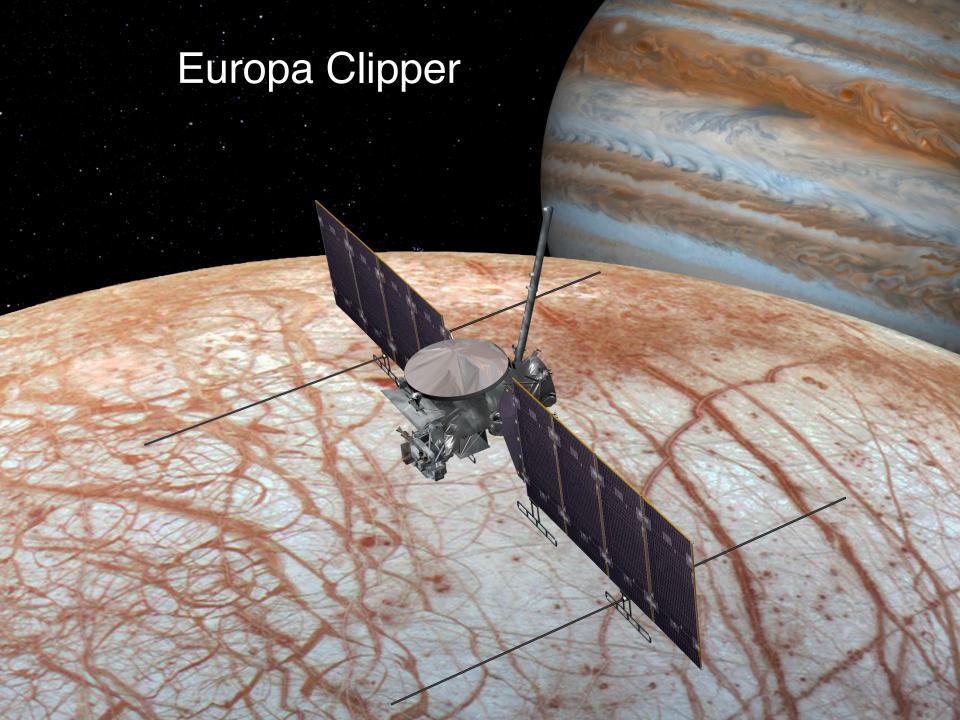


Launch Window: July 17 - Aug. 5, 2020 **Landing:** Feb. 18, 2021



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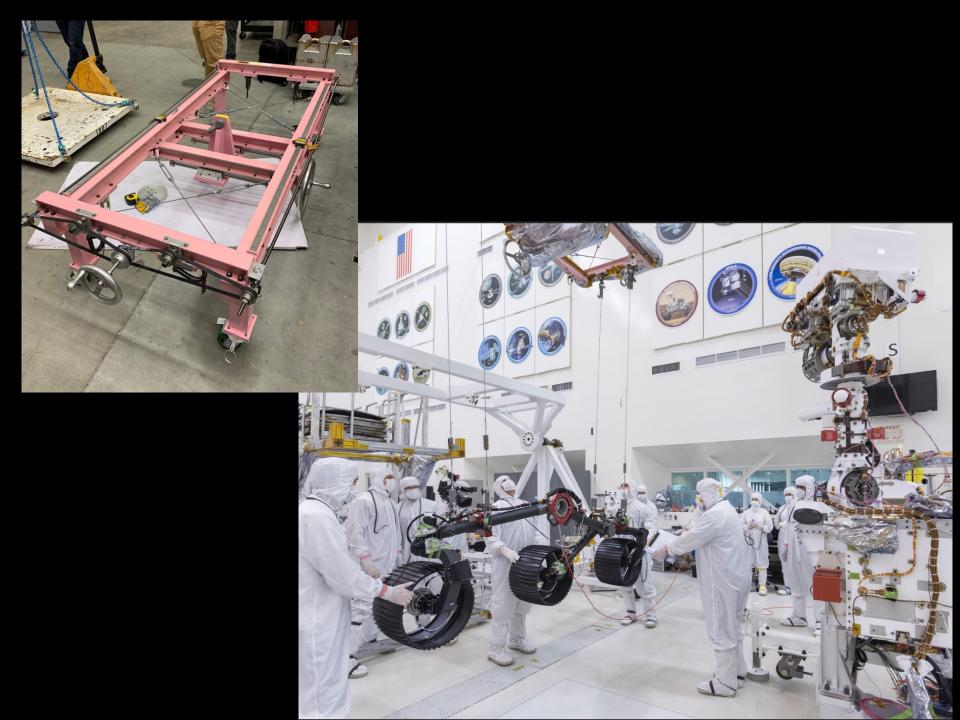
How We Use McMaster-Carr











Project: Mars Sample Return Planning

Needed to build a proof-of-concept prototype for a mechanism review and had ~1.5 weeks to make it

Most off-the-shelf parts came from McMaster:

- Wave spring
- Plain shafts
- Keyed shafts and keys
- Bushings
- Threaded inserts
- Retaining rings
- Screws and washers



Prototype was successfully demonstrated at the review and helped communicate the design's functionality

